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# ASSEMBLY TO HOLD PUBLIC HEARINGS ON REDISTRICTING PROCESS

The Assembly Elections, Reapportionment and Constitutional Amendments Committee will hold a public hearing on Monday, April 23, 2001, at 4:00 p.m. in Room 444 of the State Capitol in Sacramento. The committee will discuss procedures and guidelines relating to redistricting.

The Assembly Elections, Reapportionment and Constitutional Amendments Committee will also hold a series of public hearings throughout the State as part of the redistricting process for 2001. These hearings are all for the specific purpose of ensuring public input into the redistricting process.

Redistricting is the process by which Assembly, Senate, Congressional and Board of Equalization districts within California are adjusted every ten years to take into account changes in the state's population. Redistricting is accomplished by legislative bill, passed by the State Assembly and Senate and signed by the Governor. It is the responsibility of the Assembly Elections, Reapportionment and Constitutional Amendments Committee to coordinate the redistricting process for the State Assembly.

California gained one Congressional seat because of its population increase in the past decade. The State Assembly will use population information based on the 2000 Census, which took place on April 1, 2000, to redraw district lines.

Two hearings, in San Diego and Fresno, have currently been scheduled. The other dates and cities listed below are only tentative and have not yet been confirmed. A final, complete schedule of all local hearings will be released subsequently.

# May 4 San Diego

County of San Diego, 11:00 a.m.
Board of Supervisors Meeting Room - Room 310
1600 Pacific Highway
San Diego, CA 92101

## May 11 Fresno

City of Fresno, 11:00 a.m. City Council Chambers, 2nd Floor 2600 Fresno Street Fresno, CA 93721

May 18 Monterey Bay Area

June 1 San Francisco

June 8 Los Angeles

June 22 Sacramento

July 6 San Bernardino

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